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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
SACCO, Maria Grazia, et al ) Atty. Docket: SCBREV-223  
Serial No. (based )  
on PCT/IT98/00231 filed on )  
11 August 1998) )  
Filed: Herewith )  
For: TRANSGENIC ANIMALS FOR )  
THE STUDY OF BIOLOGICAL, )  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX: PCT (DO/EO/US)  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fee, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

In the claims as amended during prosecution of the  
corresponding international application, i.e. PCT/IT98/00231  
(copy attached), please amend the claims as follows:

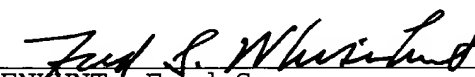
Claim 5, line 3, change "claims 1-4" to --claim 1--.

Claims 7, 8 and 9, line 1 of each, change "claims 5-6" to  
--claim 5--.

R E M A R K S

With the above amendments, the multidependencies of claims  
5 and 7-9 have been deleted.

Respectfully submitted,  
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